



## CALIFORNIA STATE THREAT ASSESSMENT CENTER

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#### (U) CALIFORNIA

##### (U) Lakeside – Teen Boy Accused of Stabbing 16-Year-Old Girl in Possible Hate Crime

(U) Deputies arrested a teenage suspect days after a 16-year-old girl was stabbed twice in the back at an apartment complex after being taunted with racial slurs by a group of teens. The crime is being investigated as a possible hate crime. The victim, who is Black, was stabbed at the complex late Saturday. A group of teenagers approached the girl and family members about an assault from earlier in the day. The group began yelling racial slurs at them and the victim was stabbed. Deputies identified a 16-year-old boy who they believe is the suspect.

SOURCE: 19 April 2022, [San Diego Union Tribune](#)

#### (U) NATIONAL

##### (U) Georgia – Arbery's Killers Scheduled for August Hate Crimes Sentencing

(U) Savannah – The white men convicted of hate crimes for chasing and killing Ahmaud Arbery as he ran in their neighborhood have been scheduled for sentencing this summer in federal court. A US District Court Judge scheduled an August 2022 sentencing hearings for all three men. Father and son, Greg and Travis McMichael and their neighbor, William Bryan, each face a maximum penalty of life-in-prison in connection with the 2020 death of the 25-year-old Black man. The McMichaels and Bryan are already serving life-sentences after being convicted of murder in a state court last fall. The trio stood trial a second time in federal court, where they were found guilty in February of committing hate crimes after a jury concluded Arbery's killing was motivated by race.

SOURCE: 19 April 2022, [Associated Press](#)

##### (U) Puerto Rico – US Coast Guard Offloads \$11.7 Million in Cocaine

(U) San Juan – The US Coast Guard Cutters Joseph Tezanos and Heriberto Hernandez crews offloaded approximately 1,289-pounds of cocaine and transferred custody of six suspected smugglers at Coast Guard Base San Juan, following two separate vessel interdictions. These interdictions are the result of multi-agency efforts involving the Caribbean Border Interagency Group and the Caribbean Corridor Strike Force. The seized cocaine has an estimated wholesale value of approximately \$11.7 million dollars.

SOURCE: 19 April 2022, [Coast Guard News](#)

##### (U) Tennessee – Woman Charged After Police Find 229-Pounds of Marijuana in Car

(U) Memphis – A woman is facing drug charges after police found her vehicle unattended with hundreds-of-pounds of marijuana inside. According to Memphis Police Department, Catherine Mardesich, 54, abandoned a Chevrolet Suburban in a lane of traffic due to the vehicle running out of gas. Officers responded to the area after getting reports that someone struck the vehicle. While officers were on the scene, Mardesich returned to the vehicle. During the search, officers discovered 229-pounds of marijuana in multiple boxes and a duffel bag. A large sum of money was also found inside the vehicle. Mardesich is charged with possession of a controlled substance.

SOURCE: 19 April 2022, [KWQC](#)

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### (U) INTERNATIONAL

#### **(U) Afghanistan – Blasts Near Schools Kill at least Six Civilians and Injures 17**

(U) Kabul – Explosions targeting educational institutions killed at least six people, including students, and wounded 17 yesterday in a mostly Shiite neighborhood. The blasts, which happened in rapid succession, were being investigated and more casualties were feared, according to a police spokesman. Several of the wounded were in serious condition and some had been treated and released. Guards in the narrow street leading to the two-story high school said they saw ten casualties. It appeared a suicide bomber blew himself up inside the sprawling compound, which can house up to 1,000 students. It wasn't immediately clear how many children were in the school at the time of the explosion.

SOURCE: 19 April 2022, [Associated Press](#)

#### **(U) Nigeria – Extremists Conduct Easter Sunday Massacre**

(U) Imo – Armed members of the Indigenous People of Biafra (IPOB) attacked the Ihioma community in Imo state's Orlu Local Government Area on 17 April, killing an unspecified number of civilians and troops. Members of the IPOB initiated an armed attack on the village, the Nigerian Army confirmed in a statement issued on 18 April. A Nigerian Army spokesman said members of the army's 34 Artillery Brigade killed at least one IPOB militant during the violent altercation. The Nigerian federal government officially designated the IPOB as a terrorist organization in 2017. The group demands independence for a region of southeastern Nigeria it labels Biafra, often through violent means.

SOURCE: 19 April 2022, [Breitbart](#)

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